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FOREIGN RATES.

If our friends who favor us with many

diation of Lawlessness.

Empires will be difficult to believe,

in view of the evidence brought out

easily credible that overzealous sub-

ordinates have abused their commis-

ican ignorance and greed, to which will be.

cordiality and good will.

desired by every American.

shall be brought to an end.

Feeding Prisoners of War.

come acutely dominant in Germany.

In a recent letter the Berlin cor-

respondent of the Journal of the

American Medical Association says

that Professor Backhaus, who was

appointed by the Government to in-

vestigate the complaints of prisoners

regarding their food, had made a com-

plete report, after the number of pris-

oners had exceeded a million. A nor-

mal feeding standard was fixed upon,

which called for sufficient nourish-

ment in three daily meals, on the

basis of the requirements of an adult

came necessary to reduce these im-

normal diet. As it was found that

the amount furnished was barely suf-

ficient for the prisoner after he had

recuperated somewhat from the ex-

scripts and illustrations for publication was to have rejected articles returned they mu-in all cases send stamps for that purpose.

DAILY AND SUNDAY, Per Year... DAILY AND SUNDAY, Per Month.

NEUTRALITY IN CHINA.

Dr. Jenks Presents Another Version

of Incidents in the Orient.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: My

The facts with regard to this matter

France; and that commissions signed

by Sun Yat-sen, who is a refugee in Japan, were found in the possession of

Cunliffe-Owen's statement that these

attacks, which by a most daring feat of mental acrobatics he twists into attacks

marvellous example of perfect neutral

embarraseing, most discouraging cir-cumstances. A full recital of these cir-

cumstances would fill the pages of sev-eral volumes. One day they will be

written, and they will not be to the credit of either Germany, Japan or

been worked, every wheel has bee

since the outbreak of the world war t

too have been active, and it is a fact

that behind Sir Edward Grey's state-ment alluded to by Cuniffe-Owen is a

seeming determination upon the part

of certain powerful British interests to crush out of China these German trad-

ing connections which German genius

land's methods in this regard have been

not easily be blinded to the direction,

Cunliffe-Owen's anti-Chinese and anti-Yuan allegations. It is a part of a

horus which is now very popular among

cret motive and the mainspring of

enterprise has built up in a sur-ingly short space of time. Eng-

but it is the truth.

have been active here.

prisingly short space of

v in the face of most exasperating, most mbarrassing, most discouraging cir-

I am sorry to say that this story con-tained quite a number of inaccurate and misleading statements calculated to inountain: such operations must be left to elemental force.

Plain ordinary honesty is the one lack

in the system. Mr. Churchill might not say it, though I personally believe that he thinks it. It is not honest to promote pupils whose attainments do not warrant it; no pupil should be promoted whose record is not \$5 per cent. or even \$0 per cent, regularly during the term. Superintendent McAndrew, in a report that evidently came to the attention of ex-President Taft, refers to the evil effects of long continued \$0 per cent. promotions. Just what other line of activity would permit of \$0 per cent. attainments? I know of none; yet Dr. McAndrew is bold enough to put it in print, page 14, report of July 1, 1915.

This "trick of the educator's trade" is a sorry way to teach the youth of our city the virtues that our colossal expenditure is supposed to bring to moted whose record is not 85 per cent. I am taking the trouble of analyzing makes. I shall here merely deal with the general situation, and with some of his more glaring, however unintentional. his assertion as to recent attacks by rebels "upon the French and English settlements at Shanghai, attacks which were fortunately repulsed, but which could not have taken place without a

expenditure is supposed to bring to them. Superintendents in each district permit it, and "approve" for graduation and admission to high schools pupils who do not even attain that. have already been published by the press of the United States, from independent and absolutely reliable sources. American people will not be inclined to discredit the news reported by such representations. About three years ago the curriculum was almost halved; just why it is hard to see, since the principals, supervised by district superintendents, were re utable news organizations as the Associated Press, the Herald, THE SUN the United Press Association, yes, and such London newspapers as the Times porting increasing rates of promotion It would be worth while for the seeker of light to read the thirteenth annual report of the city superintendent; on pages 410-470 the rates of promotion are and Daily Telegraph, in favor of ex parte assertions by Cunliffe-Owen thou-sands of miles from the firing line. All given, in many cases 100 per cent., 100 per cent. and 110 per cent. It cost me these reputable news associations agreed that the attacks upon the Chinese train-ing ship, the arsenal and the police demy reputation for veracity when I as-serted, in print and otherwise, that these pot were engineered and consummated from within the French settlement by identical figures were in an official report. Yet the figures are there, in just that shape, and no "educator," principal or superintendent, was ever called to ment; and several correspondents as-serted that the arms were procured from Japan, the ally of England and

was punished for false reports on his "success" in putting five dollar educa-tion into five cent heads, even after we read on page 251, eleventh report, that "many principals, in order to win favor at headquarters, report favorably on upon the "French and English settle- new devices regardless of facts." mends artificial propagation on a larger, scale by State Governments. The report of Mr. Redfield, so far as the summary at hand shows, makes no mention of perhaps the chief cause of the increasing ments at Shanghai," "could not have are the identical words of the report, taken place without a certain amount and if it was not putting a premium on of connivance upon the part of the au-thorities at Pekin" is unworthy of any I do not know how a premium could one who attempts to be in the least ac.

Americans should be quick to realize the truth, because China's trouble in this matter would also be the trouble of the American people if the hellicontrol of the whole of the could forecast also be the trouble of the could forecast also be the trouble of the could forecast also be the could be could forecast also be the could forecast also be the could be could forecast also be the could be could forecast also be the could be coul American people if the belligerents could to recast six of tions" (admitted by the only have their way.

China has given and is giving to-day tend to make a reflecting in an investigation), do no tend to make a reflecting mind incline tend to make a renecting mind incline to class "educators" as a reliable pro-fession. They have not yet established a court of honor or ethics, to test the claims and reports of professional practices, as the lawyers and physicians have done. The latter two professions are occasionally stirred up to apply their codes of ethics in the punishment of offenders; the "educators" will never attain a place in the sun as a "profession" till a similar code, applied to their numerous chariatans and quacks, pretending to turn into silk purses material adapted to other but not better purposes, announces to the world that they will no longer try to fool people into the belief that education can be

ing about the chip, twine, line or car that gives a clue as to whom the cache of "chorts" belongs, if an inspector by any royal road.

We have attained the proud position should chance to pick up the chip and of being Columbia the gem of the ocean, largely by means of our educational practices. But the gem is pinchbeck. and we need a Booker Washington for white race, to show the pinchbeck ing their orders. These are stowed such that we have official testimony step toward reform. But I greatly fear that even Japan hesitated for quite a we shall have no full valedictory from ers, who know all the old and trust to Mr. Churchill. Prudence, after all, is tomers, who may have been strolling not a bad quality. ot a bad quality. ROBERT P. GREEN NEW YORK, December 18. tomers, who may have been strongly around looking at the scenery, enter their cars and drive away.

But the heavier part of the dealing in "shorts" is with "runners," men who with swift motor boats of forty or fifty

TEUTONIC WRATH. Were the Kalser Not Busy, Matters

certain imported writers, who manifest German und it makes my blood boil night to make the run to the slip where little real regard for the interests of when I read in Der Sun how two offi- they can market their cargoes. They run

Baker for the Yankees.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: No. that peace is reasonably sure in base ball the question again arises as t what Colonel Jacob Ruppert's colleagues in the American League are going to do adherents of the local cause, for the ob-vious reason that two or three other teams in the league appear to be much stronger than the Yankees. Further-more, for some reason as yet unex-plained, the owners of these already formidable teams seem to have little trouble in purchasing from other teams in the league the star players, while the owners of the Yankees encounter

financially with your man, Mr. Ohio O. Barber of Barbertown, Ohio.

As for me, I am proud of my name,

As for me, I am proud of my name,

showing his former swatting ability if Connie Mack will set a reasonable figure for Baker's release. What makes the case seem so ridiculous to all fair minded baseball patrons is the fact that minded baseball patrons is the fact that the case seem so ridiculous to all fair minded baseball patrons is the fact that the Desk Standard Dictionary for close the Desk Standard a strong team in New York means in-creased returns in the shape of large gate receipts to the owners of all other

teams in the American League. Johnson, the "Czar of Basebail," should exert his reputed influence in this par-

ticular case NEW YORK, December 18.

At Hend and Foot of His Class.

STUDYING RUSSIAN.

it promises rich results. NEW YORK, December 18.

THE LOBSTER.

One of the Causes That Account for

Secretary Redfield's Alarm.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT

that in the twenty-four years ended in 1913 the catch of lobsters in the

while against this decrease in quantity there was an increase of 178 per cent

in value to the fishermen.

To delay the extinction of the lobster

in the waters of this country the Secre

tary of Commerce suggests a Federal lobster hatchery and nursery and recom-

mends artificial propagation on a large

lobster scarcity. This is the catching and marketing of millions of young lobsters in violation of the law.

monly known as chicken lobsters.

the larger part, of their profits

openly. Those that are a little o

that floats on the water.

These young crustaceans are com-

commercial designation is "shorts." There is perhaps not a bay or estuary in the latitude where lobsters thrive that

is not infested by fishermen who derive

catching and marketing "shorts." When these unscrupulous lobstermen lift their lines and open their pots all lobsters

look alike to them. Those that measure

up to the legal length can be marketed

too short are put in "cars" and sun near the lobsterman's home station. To

ine long enough to reach to the surface

From the free end of this line a piece of twine runs to a chip of driftwood

who come sometimes to his shore head

the automobiles by the fishermen's help

luck as to new inspectors, and the cus

NEW COMPETITION IN TRADE FORECAST all the changes wrought in our foreign trade interest by the present European conflict, one of the most lasting and far

zation of Business a Possible War Pro Americas, a business magazine published by the National City Bank, the changes in industrial organization of the warring nations and of the United States

cussed. "The first five years of peace." the article says, "are expected to answer car. tain big questions that have come up the minds of men watching war time de-velopments in the industries of Europa The questions and their answers have a considerable significance for industry in this country as it may be affected through the country's foreign and do-mestic commerce. The gist of these questions is this: Will Europe, or a vigorous part of it, come back to com-mercial competition with the market

commerce than ever before? The article points out in support of this question that it is universally be-lieved that Germany, if its Government remains unchanged, will continue to carry on the principle of active Goversment interposition in the control of dustry and trade, looking toward na-

possibilities of a During the first revition in trade. During the first revimonths of the war it was only natural to think that every one of the beligerer countries of Europe would return to a with a great commercadustries, depleted labor forces unable manufacture with the skill of before as demanding higher wages, a burden taxation increasing costs along the ent ine of movement in production and daribution and an appalling destruction of

The article points out that Europe has

rdinated organization of business in England and France shou not remain after peace comes and ke ommercial competition arises

ets of further organiza lectrical power ur industries. The eff actories and elect

power is shown. might be gained by tion of the coke i states, as at products are waste "It is hardly n continues, "for an something of the

by fishermen from the New York and New Jersey shores. superorganization of be attempted here, sl So it is not probable that Lobsteria patrons or purveyors, is worrying over Secretary Redfield's report. Large lobsters can always be obtained by paying the price, and the Secretary's sur-gestions, if followed, would ultimately increase the supply. Meanwhile there other chemical indust 'There appears to disposition, both official will be a steady demand for lobster meat and salad, and there will be an un-

be used safely in preparing them. ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS, N. J., Dec. 18.

"WHEN 'OMER SMOTE." Meticulous Inspection of the Source of a Great Man's Phrases.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIE! BY zantine logothetes, quotha! The source of our great Avatar's wisdom ready ticketed for dissemination are interesting to trace. In 1884 Sir William Gilber

When anger spreads his wing.

And all seems dark as night for it,

There's nothing but to fight for it,

the In a downy feather bed!

WATERBURY, Vt., December 18.

me to accept "J. B. H.'s" defy to find the word "pacifist" "in the dictionaries o most recent publication." ns in. on twelve months, and may be found als large on page 727 of Funk & Wagnalis' Compre hensive Standard Dictionary, together with

a pacifist is "one who advocates a polic

A Class in This Rich and Useful Language Is Organized. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir:

National City Bank Publicareaching will probably be our commercial relations with Russia and the republics of South America.

This fact leads to the conclusion that the Russian and Spanish languages should be widely and systematically taught in this country. Spanish has already been taken up in many schools, and a brave start has been made with Russian in Washington and New York. The language of the Slavs should no longer be ignored or neglected as it has been in this country. Russian is not so tion Discusses Conditions of South America. After War Ends.

New Kind of Competition. "If the war should end to-morrow h

draw," the article goes on, "the furthe concentration of industry that Ger come might force, by induction a certain measure of it.

demonstrated during the war that the the European workman as a resu ression on the industries in the com-

lependence and individualism n the way of more central

After calling attention to det

ming along naturally nation now an industrial co imulated by war time necessities dis country that will doubtiess result ward cooperation in business activity ripline and tribulation

failing supply of the material which car

in his libretto of "Princess Ida" this chorus of soldiers:

Select a pretty site for it.
(This spot is suited quite for it). Oh, I love the folly rattle Of an ordeal by battle. There's an end of tittle-tattle When your enemy is dead. It's an arrant mollycoddle Fears a crack upon the noddle. And he's only fit to swaddle

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUM-Sir: Perm

its variant "pacificist."

According to these standard authorities

From the Farmington Times.

With a heart as pure as dewdrops trambling in violets, she will make the home of her husband a paradise of enthal the local heavy toned harp of the marriage with its love stroking chords of the school at Brechwood, near McKim. The road is one and a quarter miles long, and at present there is one pupil, Ralph Jackson, attending the school The teacher. Edward E. Long, spends each school day with his "class" and the usual studies are taken up.

From the Farmington Times.

With a heart as pure as dewdrops trambling in violets, she will make the world. The collection than lied show-cases. So of the world, where the heavy toned harp of marriage with its love stroking chords of are given over to the Party devotion and fond endearments sent forth the awestest strains that ever thrilled the school day with his "class" and the usual studies are taken up. From the Farmington Times.

attention has been drawn to a syndi-cated story by F. Cunliffe-Owen which appeared in THE SUN of December 12. Dr. Waugh's percentages are no encouraging, but it may be that pay-York can at present support, the sup- chology does not go quite to the root

ture China and the Chinese President in the eyes of Americans. I do not know the author, Cunliffe-Owen, except in a To Colonel HENRY WATTERSON, the dean of our profession, the friend of general way by reputation. Consequently all mankind except the Hapsburgs and it is unnecessary for me to say that, without evidence to the contrary, I ab-solve him of intentionally bearing false Hohenzollerns, the beloved of the gods ncluding Mars, MINERVA and the reawithstanding his very evident and very pronounced sympathies with one group on this fiftieth anniversary of the beginning of an always felicitous marriage. And to his companion through through friends in China certain of the specific allegations which Cunliffe-Owen

sonable Diontsus, The Sun begs leave to present its hearty congratulations a haif century of domestic happines and distinguished public achievemen congratulations likewise. Posterity will never understand th

listory of this generation without the details of Judge GARY's dinners.

In the first year of the war the Czar the imperial palace in Berlin. If he really said it and keeps his word, the indications are that it will be a long ime between Christmas dinners.

A Minnesota school teacher has bee shot at by hunters three times while on her way from her home to the little red school house where she follows he profession. Following the local custom, by which schoolmistresses seel report of the Secretary of Agriculture Miss Brown dresses in a chrome yelstrength of the conflicting parties must not be overlooked. Secretary low waist with large black spots, a red and white striped skirt, a snow white felt hat with feather of robin's dove, relieve it of its terrors, and view, and by the positive, construct magenta gloves, gray suede shoes serve it in a pot pie to the dis- tive nature of the recommendations uses a parasol of sea green bound for legislation that supplement his with mauve ribbon and a black for muff with lavender ribbon neck support, besides ringing a bell in danger latitudes. If Minnesota hunters ness must come through any or all of mistake a girl thus apparelled for game, the coloration of the legitimate

> form an interesting study. ime the New York police force is meloned.—Commissioner ARTHUR Woods. True, but the great majority of th citizens consider the source of the de

objects of their excursions should

nunciation and pay no attention to it. While Canada has been rendering plendid service on the battle line and contributing generously of her re sources in behalf of the British Emome, selecting this of all times to onduct an anti-militarism campaigr HENRI BOURASSA, Nationalist leader might welcome martyrdom as an aid o his propaganda. But what of the Canadian annexationists, the small but persistent company of folks who thin hey want to see the Stars and Stripes floating over their Capitol? They are reported to have expressed regret that the United States did not go into the war on Germany's side, so that she might have taken the Dominion. war is bringing the scum to the top Canada. Her loyal Governmen

Miss FLYNN shuns Paterson .- News A mutual detestation society?

"Find Gary system inferior" is the headline over a report of a meeting of the Schoolmasters Club of Greenwich, Conn. The Gary system in judged in accordance with her acts. But politico-gastronomics is worrying the even the most ardent anti-German could

THE BRONX Y. M. H. A.

A Singular Suggestion.

GEORGETOWN, December 18.

very plain and fair to the party suffering the damage. Further, in cases I have known where it was necessary to call on the Fish and Game Commission to award

JEWETT CITY, Conn., December 18. In days of old For woe or west Our heads were eteel.

> Our heads are wood. To play the game Their heads are steel. Their heads the same.

MOLANDBURGH WILSON.

NEW YORK, December 18.

Rounding Up the Ohios

tunity to write the name of another Ohio Knox.

My birthplace was in the only county north of Mason and Dixon's line that had the courage or was foolish enough to rebel against our Government. In 1863 they built a fort and occupied it for a short time only, as on the sound of the first gun they all scattered and did not even wait to go to the head of the lane. It was Holmes County, Ohio. I enlisted to the Sixteent Ohio Volume of Another the Sixteent Ohio Volume of Another the Athletics has set a price in the Athletics has set a price on Baker's head which the owners of the Yankees feel is prohibitive in view of the fact that owing to Baker's absence from major league ball for the entire season of 1915 he is somewhat of an unknown quantity.

Nevertheless, in view of these circumstances, the owners of the local team are willing to take a sporting chance and gamble on the chances of Baker showing the former swatting ability of even walt to go to the head of the lane. It was Holmes County, Ohio. I enlisted

in the Sixteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry on April 18, 1861. you can hear of any more Ohios, please let me know through your paper. COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, December 18.

Why Is It Essential to Enlarge the Pres-

To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: Per-haps if the contents of the Protestant Bible were extended so as to include the Apocryphal books the work of regenerating the world might progress the more. pari passu with such additional enlightening matter. At any rate, if these Apocryphal books possess a literary or a moral value, it seems narrow and foolish to exclude them. It is time we broke away from the shackling influence of pure down. GLEN Ripor, N. J., December 18

New Word.

statesmen of this town

An Interpretation of the Real Mission To the Editor of the Bronx, and one who is necessed in the development of citizen
bits. Laplants do bossed the proud German army are insulted in America.

So, Japan being one of these allies, for the Americans would never dare do The cargoes are delivered before dayhip. I desire to thank THE SUN for its

support, given editorially, to t paign for a Bronx Y. M. H. A.

and kindred associations. while the nations of the old world are engaged in a bloodthirsty death we have seen our own President similarly pilloned as the enemy of one set larly pilloned as the enemy of one set love has faded into a ghastly vision of self-preservation and the surjusted of the physically fittest, while the count such biassed, mischlevous, unneurable und so it is.

Ludwig von Heinzpeter.

Ludwig von Heinzpeter.

New York, December 18. vival of the physically fittest, while the count such biassed, mischievous, lessons that our ancestors have been tral assertions as those made by eaching their descendants, kindness, culture, charity, have been seemingly forgotten or laid away on the shelf for nother day; while this beastly reversion to primitive instincts stands before the food for neutral Americans whose symptoms and this the fateful moment when we must build Y. M. C. As and Y. M. maintain her neutrality while foreign

H. A.s to cultivate the virtues which make of us high minded men? Now, you men of means, you lovers of American ideals, now is your oppor-tunity to plant the seeds of universal protherhood. Pledge to the treasurer, Robert E. Simon, at the Union Square

Hotel, that you will help raise \$85,000 for a Y. M. H. A. in The Bronx, that most neglected section of this city.

The boys need the institution and plead with you. Will you answer them?

M. HILLEI, FELDMAN.

NEW YORK, December 18.

cademy from any State north of the Mason-Dixon line? HINNACLE.

Westport's Deer, Game Warden and Se-lectmen. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: I note the "trouble card" of "A. M. C." on damage by deer. The Westport game warden sither does not know the law or was "gassing" "A. M. C." The State laws re-

he damages the commission was liberal in its awards.

If "A. M. C." should make his com plaint to the selectman of his town within twenty-four hours of the discovery of damage by deer he would get better treatment than he received from the gam

> Our hardihood; When foemen come

> > Knicker-Was the silence thick? Booker-Positively asphinxiating.

Here Would Be Different-HERAUSGEBER DER SUN-Sir: I am a

So, Japan being one of these allies, for the moment it pleases these writers to close their eyes to anti-British and anti-tied.

The Americans would never dare do this if our great Kaiser's hands were not light, and the boats run for home.

This business is going on in greater

support, given editorially, to the cambring of a Bronx Y, M. H. A.

To my mind there is no movement today more worthy of the philanthropy
of our men of means in the community
'Yuan is Japan's enemy; he must be
got rid of at all costs!"

Yuan is pictured as the enemy of
and kindred associations.

While the nations of the Old World

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and kindred associations.

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Yuan is pictured the world und the great
victorious.

The Kaiser und der German as did not
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liffe-Owen. Such concections, manufac-tured out of whole cloth by confessedly prejudiced writers, may make effective syndicate features, but they are bad maintain her neutrality while foreign it a contender for the 1916 season. The pistols are being aimed at her heart present makeup of the team does not inspire confidence in the breasts of the one. bined to plague her from within.

J. W. JENKS. To the Editor of the Sun—Sir: In your paper of December 7 you have a notice of Ohio O. Barber, the great match maker, in which you say he is the only man in the world whose first

the only man in the world whose first name is Ohio. It is evident that you have not been clear around the world, as I can give you the names of five: Ohio F. Jones, Wooster, Ohio, who has Ohio Johnson, Wooster. A Singular Suggestion.

To the Editor of The Sun—Sir: 11 Onio F. Jones, Wooster, Ohio, who has promotion in the navy were to go by a majority vote of the present Cabinet, Ohio: Ohio Benner, Homesville, Ohio: Ohio Hors, Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Ohio Knox, Council Bluffs, Iowa, Ohio Wing would be commanded by an Ohio Knox, Council Bluffs, Iowa, Ohio described with the Council Bluffs, Iowa, Ohio of the Sunday of the Sund Barber of Barbertown, Ohio.

As for me, I am proud of my name, as it has been useful to me through play under Mack's standard, the tall play under Mack's standard, the tall leader of the Athletics has set a price life. Hence I was glad of the opportion tunity to write the name of another leader of the Athletics has set a price

NEED OF ORGANIZATION In an article entitled "Superorganibeen in this country. Russian is not seasy for the American as is Spanish uct." in the December issue of the

easy for the American as is Spanish, but its pronunciation is not more difficult than is that of French. The alphabet, purely phonetic in character, is easily learned, and a commercial knowledge of the language can, with good instruction, be acquired in two or three years of faithful study.

The treasures of Russian literature are alone a sufficient inducement to study the language, but when to that is added the tremendous advantage from a commercial point of view, it is remarkable that this study has been so neglected here. A beginning has been made, however, within the past couple of after the declaration of peace are dishowever, within the past couple of months, in a class organized at the West Side Young Men's Christian Association for the study of Russian, con-ducted by Mr. Elias Dourmashkin, a Russian newspaper man of this city; and

mercial competition with the makings of better industrial organization than ex-isted before the war, so that in spite of being poorer through the war's destruction some of the countries will actually put on higher speed in manufacture and Lobsteria should worry over the facts made public in Secretary Redfield's latest report on the activities of the bureau of fisheries. The report sets forth

as a national policy in case of that or come might force, by induction, some-thing of the same kind in England and France. Russia is naturally inclined to "The direct interest in all this for the United States manufacturers lies in the

peace basis with a great commerce handleap in the way of disorganized wealth.

productive ability will be the force wit which the business men of the States must contend, it is stated purposeful life is also put forw a probable product of the war

time of peace.
"It is almost incredible that in s of the English and French love

feet length have routes which they cover after nightfall, picking up the "stock" that the fishermen have on hand These boats usually wait till after mid

rows and the sea are threaded with lobster lines. Thirty or forty are set between the Narrows and Sandy Hook

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"The clearest outlook f an merchant marine see e lines of some f coordination in industry if public opinion is com-appreciation of the serv and greatly desires to he not hard to see how some formal organization may to coordinate the legitin activities of the Units factures, United States and an American m such a way as to

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ing, electrical distribut manufacture superor would make it all pag ently as a system of the CANAL EXHIBIT AT LIBRARY.

Showenees

York Public Library made up of hundred and views from the library supplemented by plans from the private William Barciay Passes. The exhibition is land attenuate order so as 15 had torical development of

quantity of albumen, in meats and beginning of the war had been necessarily reduced over 25 per cent. and that of fat nearly 50 per cent., it be-

haustion of the campaign, those prisoners who were engaged in physical labor received 10 per cent. increase on this diet, and those at hard labor who were receiving pay were at liberty to purchase additional food. Every month menus were submitted

the contractors had charged to 13.5 presented difficult problems, and these this way. were solved by giving weekly courses of instruction in the preparation of to agree with the theory of the manafoods to kitchen subalterns, by establigers that every play is worth the surface just barely superior to intellishing central purchasing depots for same price. It has willingly fallen lectual sea level? staple foods and by eliminating spec- in with the opinion of those theatre ulation, which really caused the ap- directors who are content when there parent scarcity of food. The daily is no disposition to pay the full price ing." Does speed in learning run saving soon amounted to 100,000 to accept what the audiences consider

mixed assemblage of prisoners. The bread and milk cards issued by sidered injudicious for any publisher business, with its pay envelope monithe authorities also restrict waste and to demand the same price for every tor, makes a better score.

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uportant articles of sustenance. The details are not of immediate value to our own population, since the composition of these menus differs from those in vogue in this country, but a valuable lesson is to be derived from these observations in that by skill in the purchase and preparation of food enormous waste may, as THE Sun has often pointed out, be avoided in civilian life without ignoring the

demands of individual taste.

Pot Pie Is an Admirable Dish. THE EVENING SUN, Per Month.... 25
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THE EVENING SUN (Foreign), Per Mo. 1 03 A lamentable tale exudes from the active wireless installation of the Os-All checks, money orders, &c., to be made payable to THE SUN. car II. Certain of its passengers, less severely afflicted than others, re-Published daily, including Sunday, by the Sun Frinting and Publishing Association at 150 Nassau street, in the Borough of Manhattan, New York, President and Treasurer, William C. Reick, 150 Nassau street; Vice-President, Edward P. Mitchell, 150 Nassau street, Secretary, C. E. Luxton, 150 Nassau street. sent the denunciatory outgivings of their fellows addressed to President WILSON because of his plea for preparedness. The pilgrimage may sustain a fracture at the first point of debarkation. A portion or the destreet, Strand. tris office, 6 Rue de la Michodiere, off du Quatre Septembre, ashington office, Hibbs Building. rooklyn office, 196 Livingston street. termined band may return to this country without witnessing the unmanning of the trenches. And what

shall become of the dove? Will that imperilled bird be re tained by the almoner of the expedition as legitimately his property? The German Government's Repu Will it be consigned to the care of those who press forward? Will it be The German Government's repudia entrusted to those who sorrowfully tion of lawless acts committed in this return? Or is its fate to be disseccountry in its behalf and of their aution according to the numerical thors is inspired by wisdom and uttered at an opportune moment. That Berlin has been ignorant of all the ill advised enterprises conducted in the United States with a plan to in-

juring the enemies of the Central traught inmates of the Oscar II.? in recent criminal actions; but it is The War's Immigration Problem. In anticipation of the return of peace an inquiry is to be made by sions, and that volunteers more loyal the Chamber of Commerce of the than the king have embarked on United States to ascertain what improjects that would never have re- migration may then be expected from ceived official sanction. Moreover, the Europe. The cooperation of the rail-

inconquerable disposition of America road passenger agents of the country will be solicited, because they are in to think well of Germany will operate powerfully in behalf of acceptance of close touch with local representatives the proclamation of denunciation in of the transatiantic steamship companies. It is suggested by the Chambe If it gives testimony to recognition of Commerce that the passenge in the German capital of the influence agents circulate a series of questions exerted in this country by factors the answers to which may at least

exhibition of dissatisfaction There is probably no better way with Teutonic behavior has heretofore get what may be called surface indibeen attributed, this disavowal may cations, and yet it is not wholly satmark the beginning of improvement isfactory, since there is scarcely a poor family in Europe that with its in the relations between the two countries. That improvement is sincerely men folk at the front or under arms is giving much thought to the future. Meanwhile, the protection of Amer- These are some of the questions to be ican lives and the safeguarding of asked: Is money being saved at the American property are the tasks of present time to assist relatives and the United States, and the attitude friends to come to America after the of Germany toward violence and dis- war; does correspondence with Euorder cannot affect the duty of our rope disclose a general desire among

authorities. The criminal prosecutions the working people to emigrate; will

now in progress and contemplated those desiring to come to America be

icate adjustments that fall tives; in addition, what will the move outside the jurisdiction of the Depart- ment be of aliens back to Europe. Justice must not be allowed. The inquiry is one of supreme im-The public demands that the portance to the industries of the country be cleared of conspirators, no United States, including agriculture, day one aspect of our dispute with what their inspiration may be, railroad building and public works. and that the campaign against the Before the war labor here, unskilled important, is treated. This detail peace and safety of the United States labor particularly, was by no means was touched on in our note of Octothat has been in progress for months abundant. Many thousands, a great ber 21 to the British Government, but borers who did the heavy work of devoted to other matters of graver pick and shovel for the railroads, moment. contractors and municipalities went The possible benefit to British Among the few beneficent incidents back to Europe at the outbreak of traders at the expense of neutrals of the great European war may be the war to serve with the colors. from the policy of the British Govmentioned investigations on a larger Their places have not been filled. ernment is overshadowed by the quesscale than is possible in normal times With the general revival of industry, tions of international law and pracof the food problem, which has besomething like a boom no doubt, that tice involved in the measures adopted

than this country has ever known be house figures. The principles at stake fore; but will not the demand for reduce to triviality the immediate labor in the European countries be effect of abnormal commercial condieven greater? In America we are not able to understand how war-devastated Europe can ever again hold out attractions to people who have to earn their But love of the soil and attachment man engaged in light labor. Since the the war, and if living conditions ably specified. He has tried to tell other foods, imported since the promise an improvement the desire to emigrate, even to America, may not prove all powerful. Perhaps the manner of the ending of the war may be a factor in the emigration turns upon the creational priority of problem. If the Quadruple Entente portant elements somewhat below the

would be moderate?

decisively, militarism will no longer

he a present menace to peace and in-

dustry in Europe. May it not be

The Theatre Ticket Again. Evidently the economic reasons for hurts some men, intellectually; helps the existence of the cut rate ticket some, and leaves most of them just to adapt the food to the requirements are so legitimate that the system of about where nature set them down. and limbits of different nationalities, a varying price for theatre admission. But the professor tries to answer so that gradually it was ascertained is not to be abolished, whatever the the question in terms of his peculiar from 300 menus submitted that de- managers may say to the contrary, science, and the attempt is interestspite the high prices of food the cost The recent covenant between different ing, whatever its degree of success in could be reduced from 15 cents which predominating theatrical interests convincing the free mind. To the failed completely. The result was stock of information college adds cents, exclusive of bread. A menu that such a general restoration of the cut nearly 50 per cent., says Dr. Waugh. satisfied a Frenchman did not suit a rate ticket that all but eight city the Of the quality of the information itussian at all; other conditions also atres now dispose of their seats in nothing is said. Parrot heads pass

It is plain that the public refuses with quality, and permanence of anmarks, or \$25,000. The cost was low- the evening's entertainment worth to nexation? ' College increases the ered 20 per cent., while food was fur- them. It is true that all plays are power of concentration by less than nished that was acceptable to the not worth the same price any more one-twentieth, of associating ideas by than all books are. It would be con- a little more than one-fiftleth. Plain

extravagance in the use of these book he published whatever its pow- thinking is not always reliable, and ers to entertain might be. Just as there are times when "the student unbusinesslike may it appear, under who is least nervous," and "lowest present conditions, to expect the same in class standing," is a mighty handy price to be paid for every play that man to have about.

is offered to the public. There are more theatres than New judicious application of honesty and ply of dramas is small and inferior of the matter. and there is hard competition from many sources which in the past offered no business rivalry to the playhouses. Theatregoers are therefore more scrupulous than ever about the amount they expend for dramatic en-

tertainment. It will probably be a long time be fore the business of the theatre is put on such a basis that the low priced ticket will disappear. It corresponds to many of the present disturbed conditions that prevail in the world of amusements. When the agreement of all the managers to put an end to this practice could not prevail it is not probable that the irregularity can be prevented. Then there is at the of Russia said, as reported, that he present time no particular reason why it should be, since the opportunity to patronize the theatres at half prices is a much better arrangement for the managers than any which kept the

public out of the playhouses.

Mr. Houston's Peaceful Report. ports on military preparedness, the and division between them? Or will Houston commands alert attention some inspired chef seize upon the by the comprehensive breadth of his

survey of the situation. Improvement in farming as a bust three agencies: private enterprise. practical help from the Department, and Congressional legislation. Of these the last is probably the least directly useful to the individual cul-

tivator of the land and the most charged with bad possibilities. Congress, Mr. Houston holds, can help the farmers most by a land mortgage banking act: but rural credits legislation is not to be perfected without careful investigation of the merits of various systems elsewhere in operation. In addition to other than British malice and Amer- indicate what the immigration drift that the Secretary urges changes in the conservation programme which

> are of deep general interest as matters involving domestic policy. Those recommendations which bustness farmers will read with most interest turn upon the handling, storing and marketing of produce. Here the principal source of hope for an improved future is in the continuation and expansion of the Department's cooperation with farm managers; not and people will skim it off and be all as a supervisor or regulator, but as the better for the experience. a central, counselling agency to as-

sist personal initiative.

conducted vigorously. The tillers of the soil or factory opera- Not a Question of the Volume of Business. In the memorandum concerning the effect of the war on British and American exports which is made public to-Great Britain, and that not its most

the substance of that document was will follow the declaration of peace by it. These are not to be settled by the demand for laborers, skilled and reference to a congress of statistiunskilled, will probably be greater clans or by the tabulation of custom

tions resulting from war. Man, His Mind and His College. Hats off to the doctors of psychology, and in particular to the head bread by the sweat of their brows. of that department in Beloit College, Wisconsin. As psychology is all to locality will still be strong after head, let Dr. KABL WAUGH be honor-

mathematically what college will do for "a young person's" mind. The question is as incapable of categorical answer as that which the egg and the chicken. It is not fights it out to a finish and triumphs the sort of riddle posed in "Why does a hen cross the street?" or in the immortal prosody of "I'm a philosopher, supposed that with such an ending of wears red suspenders when he's shovthe war the emigration movement elling snow." What's the use of college? The appeal is not to ideals but to stern fact. So far as experientla docet, the fact is that college

the entrance examiners: does the increment elevate mediocrity to excellence, or does it spread over a flat

College increases, by 11 per cent

roughly one-tenth, "speed in learn-